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RMKS/1. THE NAVY HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS IN OUR AFLOAT AND ASHORE INFRASTRUCTURE WITH INITIATIVES SUCH AS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR THE 21ST CENTURY (IT 21) AND THE NAVY MARINE CORPS INTRANET (NMCI). TO BETTER INTEGRATE THESE CAPABILITIES AND TO LEVERAGE THEIR BENEFIT FOR NAVAL OPERATIONS AND RECOGNIZE THE VALUE OF THE NETWORK AS WARFIGHTING CAPABILITY, WE ARE TAKING TWO ACTIONS.

A. FIRST, WE ARE ALIGNING THE DIRECTOR, SPACE, INFORMATION WARFARE COMMAND AND CONTROL (N6) INTO THE DEPUTY CNO FOR NAVAL WARFARE REQUIREMENTS AND PROGRAMS DIRECTORATE (N7). THIS ACTION WILL SIGNIFICANTLY ENHANCE THE INTEGRATION OF PLATFORM AND NETWORK REQUIREMENTS, AND RESOURCE PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING. UNDER THE N7 ORGANIZATION, A TWO-STAR LED DIVISION (N61), SIMILAR TO THE OTHER WARFARE SPONSORS, WILL CONTINUE THE WORK PREVIOUSLY PERFORMED BY N6 ON THE OPNAV STAFF.

B. SECOND, WE ARE DIRECTING ESTABLISHMENT OF A FLEET-LED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, INFORMATION OPERATIONS AND SPACE CENTRAL AUTHORITY THAT ALIGNS NAVY'S IT, IO AND SPACE OPERATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS.

2. UP TO NOW, LEADERSHIP, OPERATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR IT, IO AND SPACE HAVE BEEN DECENTRALIZED AND FRAGMENTED, RESULTING IN DISPARATE SOLUTIONS, CONFIGURATIONS, CONOPS, TACTICS, TECHNIQUES, PROCEDURES AND TRAINING. NETWORKS, LIKE SHIP, AIRCRAFT AND SUBMARINE FORCES, ARE A MAIN BATTERY, BOTH FOR DEFENDING OUR NATIONAL INTERESTS AND TO TAKE THE FIGHT TO OUR ADVERSARIES. WE MUST POSITION THE NAVY TO DEVELOP A NETWORK-CENTRIC FORCE ABLE TO EXPLOIT THESE NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND CAPABILITIES.

3. IN THE JUNE 2002 TIMEFRAME, A NEW COMMAND, COMMANDER, NAVAL NETWORK WARFARE COMMAND (COMNAVNETWARCOM), WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN LITTLE CREEK, VA TO TAKE CHARGE OF IT, IO AND SPACE OPERATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR THE NAVY, UNDER FLEET DIRECTION. COMNAVNETWARCOM WILL BE DOUBLE-HATTED AS COMMANDER, NAVAL SPACE COMMAND, REPORTING DIRECTLY TO USCINCSpace AS THE NAVAL COMPONENT FOR SPACE OPERATIONS TO SUPPORT JOINT WARFIGHTING.

4. COMNAVNETWARCOM WILL REPORT ADMINISTRATIVELY TO COMMANDER, U.S. FLEET FORCES COMMAND (CFFC) TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT AND

INTEGRATION OF IT, IO AND SPACE WARFIGHTING REQUIREMENTS AND CAPABILITIES WITHIN FLEET FORCES. OPERATIONALLY, THE NEW COMMAND WILL DIRECTLY SUPPORT ALL FLEET COMMANDERS IN CHIEF IN THEIR IT, IO AND SPACE MISSION AREAS. IN ADDITION:

A. COMMANDER, SPACE AND NAVAL WARFARE SYSTEMS COMMAND WILL REPORT FOR ADDITIONAL DUTY TO COMNAVNETWARCOM IN THE AREAS OF REQUIREMENTS AND EXECUTION-YEAR FLEET SUPPORT.

B. COMMANDER, NAVAL SECURITY GROUP (COMNAVSECGRU) WILL FUNCTION AS THE NEW COMMAND'S ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF FOR IO, ENABLING THE NECESSARY LINKAGE TO COMNAVSECGRU'S TITLE 50 AUTHORITIES IN SUPPORT OF IO AS A WARFIGHTING MISSION.

C. THE CURRENT COMMANDER, NAVAL NETWORK OPERATIONS COMMAND, AND COMMANDER, NAVAL SPACE COMMAND WILL BE CONSOLIDATED INTO A SINGLE ORGANIZATION - COMMANDER, NAVAL NETWORK AND SPACE OPERATIONS COMMAND, REPORTING TO COMNAVNETWARCOM.

D. FLEET INFORMATION WARFARE CENTER (FIWC) AND THE NAVY COMPONENT TASK FORCE COMPUTER NETWORK DEFENSE (NCTF-CND) WILL BE SUBORDINATED TO COMNAVNETWARCOM. NCTF-CND WILL CONTINUE TO BE THE NAVY COMPONENT TO THE JOINT TASK FORCE COMMANDER-COMPUTER NETWORK OPERATIONS (JTF-CNO) FOR COMPUTER NETWORK ATTACK (CNA)/COMPUTER NETWORK DEFENSE (CND).

5. COMNAVNETWARCOM WILL BE LOCATED IN THE NORFOLK, VA FLEET CONCENTRATION AREA TO MAINTAIN CLOSE PROXIMITY

... WITH THE FLEET VIA CFFC,

... WITH NAVAL SPACE OPERATIONS AT DAHLGREN, VA,

... AND WITH NAVAL NETWORK OPERATIONS AND POLICY MAKING FORUMS IN WASHINGTON DC.

6. ALIGNING OUR IT, IO AND SPACE COMMAND STRUCTURE IS CRITICAL TO THE SUCCESS OF CURRENT AND FUTURE NAVAL OPERATIONS, AT HOME AND OVERSEAS, AND TO REMAIN A TECHNOLOGICALLY RELEVANT FORCE IN THE INFORMATION AGE.

7. ADMIRAL VERN CLARK SENDS.//